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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Preliminary to Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 4, delete lines 12-19 and insert the following:

-- Figure 1 illustrates an example of a Request for Quotation flow chart.

Figures 2A and 2B, when joined at match line A-A, illustrate an example of a Request for Quotation flow chart.

Figures 3A and 3B, when joined at match line A-A, illustrate an example of a Request for Quotation flow chart.

Figure 4 illustrates an example of a Request for Quotation flow chart.

Figure 5 illustrates an example of a Sample flow chart.

Figures 6A, 6B and 6C, when joined at match lines A-A and B-B, illustrates an example of a Procurement flow chart.

Figures 7A and 7B, when joined at match line A-A, illustrate an example of a Delivery flow chart.

Figures 8A, 8B and 8C illustrates an example of Receiving flow chart. -

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